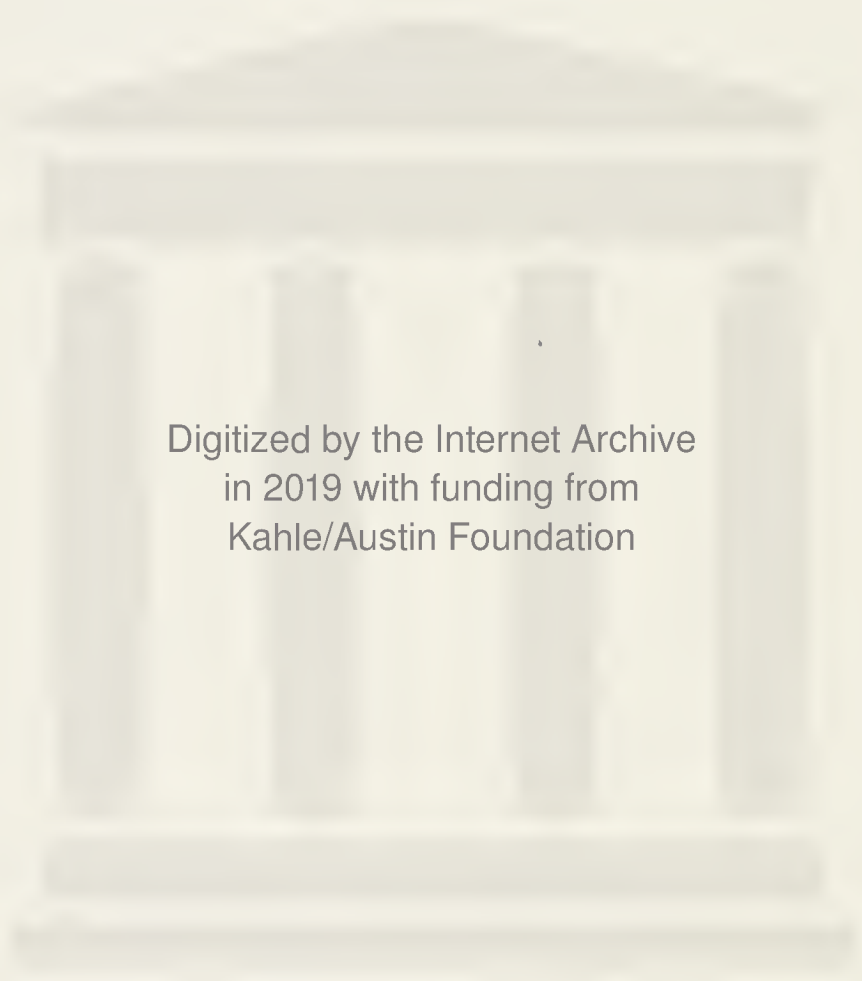


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**I did not realize that the old grave  
that stood among the brambles  
at the foot of our farm was history.**

**—Stephen Leacock**

**All too many of us, as Stephen Leacock has so well  
expressed it, are unaware of the great wealth of  
history that lies in the records of our past. As one  
decade and generation succeeds another, the gap  
between us and our forebears widens and the  
opportunity for collecting and preserving these  
records greatly diminishes.**

**—Premier Leslie Frost,  
in his Introduction to  
E.C. Guillet. *The Valley of the Trent*.  
(The Champlain Society, 1957)**

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# **Report of The 1997 Annual Meeting**

## **THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY**

**at**

**Toronto, Ontario**

There were present:

### **Officers**

President Ian E. Wilson; Vice-Presidents George W. Brigden, QC; and Conrad Heidenreich; Honorary Vice-Presidents John Warkentin and Morris Zaslow; and Treasurer Kenneth W. Crooke.

### **Members of Council**

Kerry Abel, Fred Armstrong, Olive Dickason, Alastair Gillespie, Susan Houston and David McNab.

### **Members**

Seventeen further members of the Society attended.

### **Report of the President**

President Ian E. Wilson welcomed the members to the 1997 Annual Meeting and presented his report:

I am delighted to welcome so many members to the Annual Meeting this year. Over the past three years, we have departed from tradition and held two of our annual meetings out of town, first in London (1994) and, last year, at Ste. Marie Among the Hurons. Many of you will remember, I trust, the magnificent day we had last September in the old fort, an appropriate setting for launching our 1996 volume on *The French Regime in the Upper Country of Canada During the Seventeenth Century*, edited for the Society by Dr. Cornelius J. Jaenen.

Once again, I also have the privilege of conveying the best wishes of our Honorary President, Dr. W. Kaye Lamb, OC. Dr. Lamb made a significant contribution to the Champlain Society as President from 1953 to 1964 in the midst of his tenure as Canada's Dominion Archivist and National Librarian. Dr. Lamb maintains an active interest in the affairs of the Society.

This past year has been another challenging and active one for the Society, requiring the enthusiastic involvement of many of the members

of Council. Following the publication of Dr. Jaenen's volume last fall, we were able to publish the combined annual reports for 1994 and 1995 and several newsletters to help keep members up to date with events in the Society. The highlight this year has been the reception held at Memorial University in Newfoundland to launch our 1997 volume: *The Reminiscences of J.P. Howley: Selected Years*. The reception, jointly sponsored by the Society and the Centre for Newfoundland Studies, was held on June 6th, 1997 during the annual meeting of the Canadian Historical Association. The room was more than full, with some of our members and many people active in history in St. John's attending. The editors of the volumes, professors William Kirwin and Patrick O'Flaherty helped to introduce the volume and paid tribute to the initiative of their late colleague who started the project, Professor G.M. Story. The response to the reception and to the volume was excellent.

Our 1997 volume is the first in the new format agreed upon at the last annual meeting. The resolution passed then read:  
THAT THE FORMAT OF THE GENERAL SERIES AND THE ONTARIO SERIES BE THE SAME, WITH ONE COLOUR OF RED USED FOR ALL VOLUMES; WITH PAGE SIZE REDUCED BY ONE HALF INCH IN BOTH HEIGHT AND WIDTH; WITH ALL PAGES CUT OR OPENED; WITH THE CREST OF THE SOCIETY IN GOLD ON THE SPINES AND BLIND STAMPED ON THE COVERS OF ALL VOLUMES; AND WITH THE GOLD COATING ON THE TOP OF THE GENERAL SERIES VOLUMES ELIMINATED. THESE CHANGES WILL TAKE EFFECT WITH THE 1997 VOLUME. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Howley volume shows this new format and provides the basis for us to review whether the format is suitable for future volumes. In conversations with the University of Toronto Press we have found that neither they nor we can be sure of the same colour cloth for binding in the future. Their suppliers keep changing the materials available, playing havoc with the appearance of a series like ours over the years. These changes saved the Society approximately 25% on the printing cost of this volume, an essential saving for the well-being of the Society.

This year it became clear that the annual grant provided by the Ontario Government for the Ontario Series is being phased out. Since 1957, the Government has funded this series both for our members and for the general public. Our grant was halved this year, to \$10,000, and likely will not be renewed. It is worth recalling the arrangement established



by Premier Leslie Frost with the Society in 1957. In the introduction to the first volume in the Ontario Series, Premier Frost wrote:

It seemed proper, therefore, that the Government of Ontario should undertake to preserve in printed form, available to the interested public and to historians, a representative selection of the more interesting and significant records of the past, covering particularly those regions and periods in which historical research has not been extensive. To facilitate this, the Champlain Society was invited to undertake the preparation and publication of a series of documentary volumes on the early history of Ontario.

For over half a century, the Champlain Society has been engaged in publishing volumes of documents in the broader fields of Canadian history, and it has earned for itself an international reputation. It, therefore, is especially well qualified to undertake the preparation of this series, toward which the Government of Ontario will contribute the cost of publication and editorial expenses.

(Introduction to E.C. Guillet, *The Valley of the Trent*, 1957)

Without the regular funding for the Ontario Series, the Society has had to reduce its administrative and printing costs. The Council foresaw this eventuality and the measures we have taken over the past several years are enabling us to ensure the continuation of the core activity of the Society: the publication of an annual volume. Members have responded very generously to our appeal for donations, beyond the regular membership fee, to assist with our costs. An effort to sell the copies we have in storage of some of our recent publications has helped to improve our balance sheet. Special events are now held on a cost-recovery basis in co-operation with a partner or with a project grant. And, very importantly, Deloitte & Touche, Chartered Accountants, have agreed to do the annual audit without cost to the Society. This is a welcome and generous commitment.

Finally, I would like to thank the members of the Council. As I mentioned we have reduced the administrative costs of the Society. Work formerly done by a paid executive secretary has in the past two years been carried out exclusively by volunteers on Council. They have been a lively and dedicated group. Attendance at the regular Council meetings has been excellent and I wish all members could experience the animated discussions, combining business, vision, historical anecdote and good humour. The mix of academic, legal and business expertise on our Council is extraordinary. In terms of the work of the

Society, foremost amongst these members of Council has been Kenneth W. Crooke, our Treasurer. He is spending several days a week on the Society's affairs and without his commitment and support, the Society would not have been able to continue to this point. He has served the Society well and it is a pleasure to work with him.

### **Report of the General Editor**

General Editor, Dr. R. Craig Brown was absent with regrets. The President presented Dr. Brown's report.

#### **1. *Reminiscences of J.P. Howley, The Champlain Society, 1997***

The first volume in the "New Series", James P. Howley's *Reminiscences*, edited by Dr. William Kirwin, Dr. George Story (deceased) and Dr. Patrick O'Flaherty, all of the English Department, Memorial University of Newfoundland, was launched at a reception hosted by the Champlain Society and the Centre for Newfoundland Studies, Memorial University of Newfoundland, at the Centre's headquarters in the Memorial University Library on 6 June, 1997, during the meetings of the Learned Societies at the University. The well attended reception, with guests from the Society, members of the Howley family, the editors, members of the University community and the public and guests from the Canadian Historical Association, was addressed by the University Librarian, Mr. Richard Ellis, Ms. Anne Hart, Head of the Centre, Dr. Van Kirk from the Society Council, Dr. O'Flaherty representing the editors, a spokesperson for the family and myself. Mr. Crooke, Honourary Treasurer, represented the Executive Committee of the Society. The President, Mr. Wilson, was unable to attend because of commitments in Ottawa.

Complementary copies of the Howley volume, the first volume the Society has published relating to the history of Newfoundland, were presented to the editors, Dr. Kirwin and Dr. O'Flaherty and to members of the Howley family. A number of volumes were sold to guests at the reception.

#### **2. The Second Franklin Expedition Volume**

Dr. Richard Davis of the English Department, University of Calgary, reports that his work on the editing of the text of this volume is very far advanced and anticipates that the text and introduction of a book of approximately the same size as his volume of the first expedition will be sent to the editors at the end of this calendar year. Currently, publication of this volume is scheduled for 1999.

**3. Volume on the Delimitation of the Canadian-American Boundary**  
Mr. Ian Jackson, member of the Society and independent scholar, reports major progress on transcribing the documents for this volume. This work has been done at the Western Americana Library, Yale University and during research trips Mr. Jackson has made to the United Kingdom and in western North America in recent months. Mr. Jackson expects to visit Toronto in November, 1997, for discussions with me about the continuing preparation of this volume for publication.

#### **Report of the Editor of the Ontario Series**

Dr. Brian Osborne, Editor of the Ontario Series was absent with regrets. The President presented Dr. Osborne's report.

The current portfolio of manuscripts in this series consists of three active proposals at varying stages of development. First, Professors R. Taylor and R. Styran will be submitting a draft of their work on the Welland Canals late in 1997. They are reporting on their progress and highlights of this work at this Annual Meeting. Second, Ms. Linda Sabathy-Judd has submitted a very polished manuscript of the diaries of the Moravian Mission at Fairfield and is currently working on the interpretive introduction to this work. The complete work should be finished in 1998. Finally, Professor James Reaney had finished a first draft of his Donnelly volume and is now reworking it to a more manageable size in response to editorial suggestions.

#### **Report of the Treasurer**

The Treasurer, Kenneth Crooke referred to the budget that he circulated and noted that the Society should finish the year with a small surplus. This is mainly due to a somewhat better response to membership renewals and continued cost cutting in administration. Charitable donations are identified separately from other revenue.

The Treasurer noted that a change of auditors had delayed the issuing of an audited financial statement. The audited statement will appear in the printed annual report of the Society.

*Financial Statements of*

**THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY**

*December 31, 1996*



## Auditors' Report

To the Members of  
The Champlain Society

We have audited the statement of financial position of The Champlain Society (the "Society") as at December 31, 1996 and the statements of operations and changes in fund balances and of changes in cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Society's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

Except as explained in the following paragraph, we conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In common with many charitable organizations, the Society may derive revenue from the general public through donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of revenue from these sources was limited to accounting for the amounts recorded by the Society and we were unable to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenue, excess of revenue over expenses, assets and fund balances.

In our opinion, except for the effect of adjustments, if any, which we might have been determined to be necessary had we been able to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of the revenue referred to in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Society as at December 31, 1996 and the results of its operations, fund balances and changes in cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Chartered Accountants

Toronto, Ontario  
February 16, 1998

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# THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY

## Statement of Financial Position

As at December 31, 1996

	1996	1995
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Cash	\$ 8,164	\$ 77,234
GST receivable, net	4,968	10,086
Prepaid expenses	2,351	-
	15,483	87,320
Champlain Society volumes	4,000	4,000
	\$ 19,483	\$ 91,320
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 153	\$ 76,114
Deferred grants from the Province of Ontario	-	38,399
	153	114,513
<b>FUND BALANCES (DEFICIENCY) -</b>		
<b>GENERAL AND ONTARIO SERIES</b>	19,330	(23,193)
	\$ 19,483	\$ 91,320

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

..... Director

..... Director

# THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY

## Statement of Operations and Changes in Fund Balances

Year ended December 31, 1996

	1996			1995
	General Series Fund	Ontario Series Fund	Total	Total
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Membership fees, donations and interest	\$ 60,939	\$ -	\$ 60,939	\$ 46,035
Grants from The Province of Ontario (Note 3)	-	48,399	48,399	2,021
	60,939	48,399	109,338	48,056
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Franklin Volume 1	-	-	-	59,927
Volume 16, Ontario Series	-	33,577	33,577	-
General and administrative	18,010	-	18,010	27,805
GST	5,137	-	5,137	-
Walpole Symposium	4,091	-	4,091	-
Honoraria	2,000	4,000	6,000	4,000
	29,238	37,577	66,815	91,732
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES (EXPENSES OVER REVENUES)</b>				
	31,701	10,822	42,523	(43,676)
<b>FUND BALANCES (DEFICIENCY), BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>				
	2,446	(25,639)	(23,193)	20,483
<b>FUND BALANCES (DEFICIENCY), END OF YEAR</b>				
	\$ 34,147	\$ (14,817)	\$ 19,330	\$ (23,193)



**THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY**  
**Statement of Changes in Cash Flows**  
Year ended December 31, 1996

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
<b>NET INFLOW (OUTFLOW) OF CASH RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES</b>		
<b>OPERATING</b>		
Excess of revenue over expenses		
(expenses over revenue) General and Ontario Series Funds	\$ 42,523	\$ (43,676)
Changes in non-cash working capital balances		
Net GST receivable	5,118	(2,469)
Prepaid expenses	(2,351)	-
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(75,961)	68,830
Deferred grants from the Province of Ontario	(38,399)	18,179
<b>(DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH</b>	<b>(69,070)</b>	<b>40,864</b>
<b>CASH, BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<b>77,234</b>	<b>36,370</b>
<b>CASH, END OF YEAR</b>	<b>\$ 8,164</b>	<b>\$ 77,234</b>

# THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY

## Notes to Financial Statements

Year ended December 31, 1996

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### 1. NATURE OF THE ORGANIZATION

The Champlain Society (the "Society") endeavors to increase public awareness of, and access to, Canada's rich historical records by publishing books and volumes which deal with subjects of a historical significance to Canada. The Society was incorporated under the Ontario Corporations Act as a not-for-profit organization and is a registered Charity under the Income Tax Act, and accordingly is tax exempt provided the Society meets certain disbursement requirements. As a registered Charity, the Society is entitled to recover 50% of the GST paid on expenses incurred.

### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### (a) *Basis of presentation*

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and on the basis that the Society will be able to continue discharging its liabilities and realizing its assets in the normal course of business. The Society's ability to do so is dependent upon receiving sufficient annual membership fees to cover its operating expenses.

#### (b) *Fund accounting*

The Society follows the deferral method of fund accounting, whereby restricted contributions for expenses of future periods are deferred and recognized as revenue in the same period as the related expenses.

Revenues and expenses related to publishing Canadian historical books are reported in the General Series Fund. Revenues and expenses related specifically to publishing historical books with Ontario content which are partially funded by the government of the Province of Ontario are reported in the Ontario Series Fund.

Membership fees, which include the sale of books to Members, and donations are considered part of the General Series Fund.

Interest income earned on the cash resources of the Society are reported in the General Series Fund.

#### (c) *Revenue recognition*

Membership fees and donations are recognized as revenue when received or receivable.

Government grants represent restricted contributions and are recognized in the appropriate fund in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. For example, the Province of Ontario grants for the Ontario Series Fund were deferred until the related publishing expenses were incurred.

# THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY

## Notes to Financial Statements

Year ended December 31, 1996

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### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### (d) Champlain Society Volumes

The Champlain Society Volumes represent an inventory of prior publications which are available for sale to the Members. The volumes are recorded at cost, which approximates fair value.

### 3. DEFERRED GRANTS OF THE ONTARIO SERIES FUND

Changes in the deferred grant balance reported for the Ontario Series Fund are as follows:

	<u>1996</u>	<u>1995</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 38,399	\$ 20,220
Add: Amount received during the year	10,000	20,200
	<u>48,399</u>	<u>40,420</u>
Less: Amount recognized as revenue in the year	(48,399)	(2,021)
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 38,399</u>

### 4. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain of the prior year's figures have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation. The prior year financial statements were audited by another firm of chartered accountants.

### **Report of the Special Events Committee**

It was reported by David McNab that Occasional Paper #2 had been well received and reviewed. It has had notably good sales at the Walpole Island Heritage Centre to U.S. tourists. The next symposium is being planned for the spring of 1998 in Toronto. Tentatively titled "Documenting the Ideas of Aboriginal History in Ontario", this symposium is being planned with the University of Toronto History Department and The Native Canadian Centre.

### **Report of the Membership Committee**

Professor Douglas Leighton noted in a written report that there were continuing difficulties in maintaining and expanding the Society's membership base. As a result of discussion that followed, it was moved by Sylvia Van Kirk and seconded by John Warkentin:

- That a Student Membership rate of \$30.00 per year be established for the next two years at which time the membership committee would report on the results of this initiative.

CARRIED.

### **Report of the Nominating Committee**

Upon motion of Alastair Gillespie, Seconded by Gibson Grey and Carried, the report of the Nominating Committee was adopted and members nominated thereby were elected to Council for the terms set forth. These members are listed as the 1997/98 Officers and Council of the Champlain Society in this Annual Report.

Moved by Susan Houston and Seconded by Fred Armstrong: That the thanks of the Society go to the retiring members of Council.

### **Other Business**

No other business came to the attention of the meeting.

### **Adjournment**

On motion of Alastair Gillespie, Seconded by Susan Houston and carried, the meeting then adjourned to hear the presentation by Professors Robert Taylor and Roberta Styran on their research into the building of the several Welland Canals.

### **Floyd S. Chalmers Award in Ontario History**

The Floyd S. Chalmers Award in Ontario History is given annually for the best book published on any aspect of the history of Ontario in the preceding year. This year's winner is Dr. Lynne Marks of the Department of History, University of Victoria, for her book *"REVIVALS AND ROLLER RINKS, Religion, Leisure and Identity in Late-Nineteenth Century Small-Town Ontario"*. It was published by the University of Toronto Press in 1996. Established in 1983, the Floyd S. Chalmers Award consists of a cash prize of \$2,000 and a significant piece of Inuit sculpture.

Supported by meticulous research, *"REVIVALS AND ROLLER RINKS"* is a colourful and innovative look at the contrasting activities and values in small towns a century ago. The award jury noted that Marks casts a skilful eye on many of the day-to-day experiences of these small-town forefathers to show that stultifying Protestantism may have been more myth than reality. She challenges this myth with evidence of substantial discord and dissent through an analysis of three typical Ontario towns combined with a broad view across the province.

# THE CHAMPLAIN SOCIETY

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## Errata Notice

In Ontario Series Volume XVI *The French Regime In The Upper Country Of Canada During The Seventeenth Century*, Edited with an Introduction by Cornelius J. Jaenen, please note the following changes in CONTENTS...ILLUSTRATIONS AND MAPS:

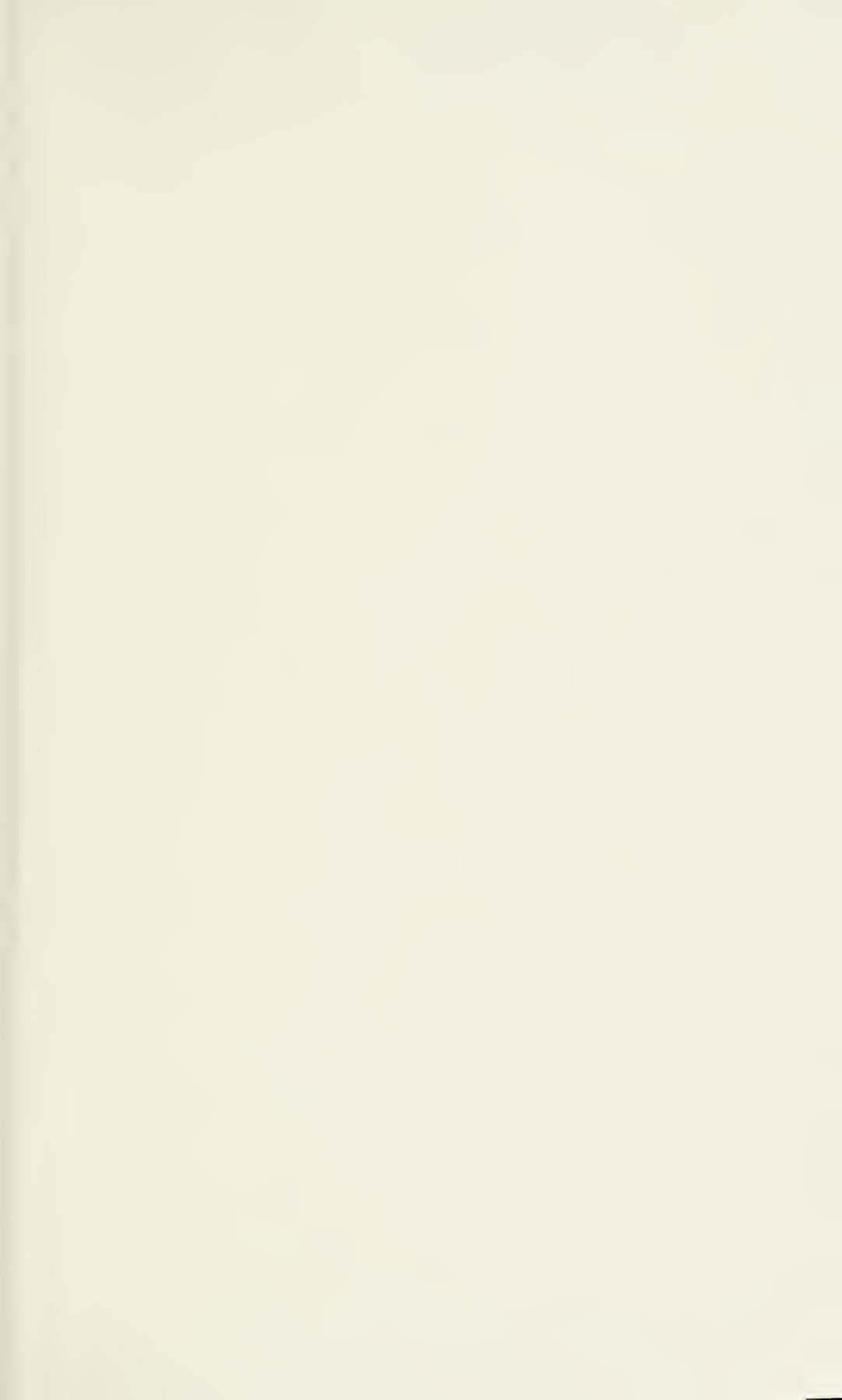
The third map should read: Western Regions of New France, 1703.  
From Guillaume Delisle, *Carte du Canada ou de la Nouvelle France* (Paris, 1703). (Following page 224).

The fourth map should read: Routes to Hudson Bay.  
From Alexis-Hubert Jaillot, *Carte de la Nouvelle France* (Paris, 1685).  
(Following page 256).











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